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1. PLANS FOR TRANSFER OF BERG TO YULIYA'S CONTROL
2. USE OF ARTEM IN AL'BERT'S LINE: KNYAZ', ART
(1944)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No.: 1636

21st November 1944

To VIKTOR[i]

Your telegram No. 5360[a].

1. I have already reported

[65 groups unrecoverable]

I reported that BERG[ii] had been given the task of finding a new apartment[iii]. We shall effect his transfer to YULIYA's[iv] control in the near future, but only if it is quite certain that there is no external surveillance. We are continuing to check her[iii].

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4. From your telegram[v] I conclude that the decision to use ARTEM[vi] in AL'BERT's[vii] line of work has not been rescinded by you. [1 group unrecovered] after thorough checking (which is being carried out at the moment on KNYaZ''s[viii] instructions)[2 groups unrecovered] we will put him in touch with ART[ix] and will thus create a second, as it were reserve line of communication with AL'BERT.

5. With

[11 groups unrecovered]

I deal personally. All the most important intelligence reports from AL'BERT's probationers[STAZHER] I myself pass on by telegraph. I pay particular attention to AL'BERT's affairs as they hang together and I consider them to be a particularly important area of the OFFICE's[KONTORA][x] work.

On all your organisational instructions the OFFICE takes immediate action when this depends solely on us.

[13 groups unrecovered]

I am sending by post.

No. 915

MAJ[xi]

Note: [a] Not available.

Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] BERG: Unidentified covername. Also occurs in NEW YORK's Nos. 1251 and 1332 of 2nd and 8th September 1944; (3/NBF/T301 and 317), 1582 of 12th November 1944 (3/NBF/T305), 1803 of 22nd December 1944 (3/NBF/T288) and 50 of 10th January 1945 (3/NBF/T306) and MOSCOW's Nos. 275 of 25th March 1945 (3/NBF/T867) and 337 of 3th April 1945 (T'031).

[iii] cf. 3/NBF/T305.

[iv] YULIYA: i.e. "JULIA"; Ol'ga Valenti^oovna KHL^oOPKOVA.

[v] Presumably NEW YORK's No. 1393 of 3rd October 1944 (3/NBF/T95).

[vi] ARTEM: Possibly either G.N. OGLOBLIN or M.N. KHVOSTOV.

[vii] AL'BERT: i.e. "ALBERT"; probably Iskhak Abdulovich AKHMEROV.

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Comments

- [Cont'd]: [viii] KNYaZ': i.e. "PRINCE"; possibly Laurence DUGGAN.
- [ix] ART: Probably Helen KORAL.
- [x] OFFICE: The MGB office in the Consulate General in NEW YORK.
- [xi] M/J: i.e. "MAY"; Stepan Zakharovich APRESYan, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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